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SENATE ENROLLED ACT No. 27

AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning education.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

SECTION 1. IC 20-20-13-0.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009]: **Sec. 0.5. As used in this chapter, "fund" refers to the Senator David C. Ford educational technology fund established under section 6 of this chapter.**

SECTION 2. IC 20-20-13-6, AS AMENDED BY P.L.3-2008, SECTION 116, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009]: Sec. 6. (a) The ~~educational technology program and~~ **Senator David C. Ford educational technology fund** is established to ~~provide and~~ extend educational technologies to elementary and secondary schools. **The fund may be used for:**

- (1) the 4R's technology grant program to assist school corporations (on behalf of public schools) in purchasing technology equipment:
 - (A) for kindergarten and grade 1 students, to learn reading, writing, and arithmetic using technology;
 - (B) for students in all grades, to understand that technology is a tool for learning; and
 - (C) for students in kindergarten through grade 3 who have been identified as needing remediation, to offer daily remediation opportunities using technology to prevent those students from failing to make appropriate progress at the

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particular grade level;

- (2) providing educational technologies, including computers in the homes of students;
- (3) conducting educational technology training for teachers; and
- (4) other innovative educational technology programs.

(b) The department may also use money in the fund under contracts entered into with the office of technology established by IC 4-13.1-2-1 to study the feasibility of establishing an information telecommunications gateway that provides access to information on employment opportunities, career development, and instructional services from data bases operated by the state among the following:

- (1) Elementary and secondary schools.
- (2) Postsecondary educational institutions.
- (3) Career and technical educational centers and institutions that are not postsecondary educational institutions.
- (4) Libraries.
- (5) Any other agencies offering education and training programs.

(c) The fund consists of:

- (1) state appropriations;
- (2) private donations to the fund;
- (3) money directed to the fund from the corporation for educational technology under IC 20-20-15; or
- (4) any combination of the amounts described in subdivisions (1) through (3).

(d) The ~~program and~~ fund shall be administered by the department.

(e) Unexpended money appropriated to or otherwise available in the fund ~~for the department's use in implementing the program under this chapter~~ at the end of a state fiscal year does not revert to the state general fund but remains available to the department for use under this chapter.

(f) Subject to section 7 of this chapter, a school corporation may use money from the school corporation's capital projects fund as permitted under IC 20-40-8 for educational technology equipment.

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